

DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

6 December 1976

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Thanks for your comment of 26 Nov. and [REDACTED] report on the Counterspy article. We fully agree that comment by Counterspy should not deter us in scheduling Don for talks to such audiences.

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We would also appreciate Don's extending his trips occasionally to handle other speaking engagements that we normally are not able to handle. For example, we currently have two requests from the San Francisco area. [REDACTED] of my office should be the point of contact on this.

Thanks for keeping us informed.



Andrew T. Falkiewicz  
A/DCI

DDA 76-5264

22 OCT 1976

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MEMORANDUM FOR: [REDACTED]  
Deputy Director for Operations Group


FROM : John F. Blake  
Deputy Director for Administration

SUBJECT : Your Talk Before the University of Texas  
Graduate Students

Don:

Returned herewith is your Memorandum for the Record  
on your talk to the graduate students at the University of  
Texas. I thought you would be interested in the Director's  
comment on the buckslip. This was, indeed, a most worth-  
while visit.

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John F. Blake

Attachment

DDA 76-5233

*Public Relations*

21 October 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Operations Training

FROM : John F. Blake  
Deputy Director for Administration

Don:

1. I have read your memorandum on your recent visit to the University of Texas at Austin. I was sufficiently impressed by its objectivity to forward it to both Messrs. Bush and Knoche.

2. I am now in receipt of [REDACTED] memorandum of 12 October to the Chief, Recruitment Division. It is a first-class tribute that [REDACTED] extends to you and, knowing Bill to be the man of integrity that he is, you have to fully deserve his commendatory words. We congratulate and thank you.

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John F. Blake

P.S.

Keep it up, Don, and maybe somehow we will figure out a way to work you into our permanent fabric.

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12 October 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Recruitment Division

SUBJECT : Addresses by [REDACTED] at The University of Texas at Austin

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This memorandum is written to advise you of the absolutely superb addresses presented by [REDACTED] at The University of Texas at Austin on 6 October. I am positive that the Agency made a net gain in these addresses, and I would encourage you to suggest to other Recruiters that [REDACTED] be invited into their areas for similar presentations.

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The first presentation [REDACTED] made was to the Policy Process Review class conducted by Dagmar Hamilton, one of the Professors in the LBJ School of Public Affairs at The University of Texas at Austin. The audience in this instance was approximately fifty in number and represented not only the students in the class but several Professors and students from the Law School. [REDACTED] did a magnificent job of presenting CIA in its role of impinging on the development of U. S. foreign policy. I find it difficult to recall ever having heard an Agency speaker make such a brilliant and sweeping analysis of CIA activity in this field. [REDACTED] was very frank and forthright in discussing Agency efforts as it attempts to present meaningful opinions to the policy maker. I am sure several people came to this presentation prepared to be hostile to [REDACTED] but his honesty and sophistication in the presentation almost completely disarmed what hostility existed. There were a few questions with barbs, but [REDACTED] handled them without incident.

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A second presentation was made to a group of students and faculty drawn from the Area Study programs at The University of Texas (Middle East, Asian and Latin American programs). Some twenty-five in number attended this second session and, again, [REDACTED] presented a penetrating analysis of CIA global activities over the last several years. There were a number of excellent questions concerning CIA activity in these several areas of the world, and [REDACTED] handled these questions very meaningfully - drawing from his intimate knowledge of Agency affairs.

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At the evening reception which I sponsored I received any number of compliments concerning this effort of CIA making itself known in a more meaningful fashion to the American public. Based on my own observations and the comments I have received from students and faculty of The University of Texas, I am certain the Agency has a great deal to gain by similar presentations. It is my intention to invite [REDACTED] back for other audiences, and I would suggest that other Recruiters would benefit from similar experiences. STATINTL

I invite you to share this information with senior officials in the Office of Personnel and elsewhere.



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8 October 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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FROM : [REDACTED]  
Deputy Director for Operations Training

SUBJECT: Talk Before Graduate Students at the University  
of Texas

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1. On 6 October I traveled to Austin to address two groups of graduate students at the University of Texas. This visit had been arranged through the good [REDACTED] the Southwestern regional recruiter, who felt that a presentation on the Agency today might be helpful to him in gaining access to a wider range of potential candidates for Agency employment.

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2. [REDACTED] arrangements were flawless. I arrived in Austin about 1300 and by 1330 was addressing a group of about 50 graduate students and faculty. The framework was the Policy Process Course taught by Dr. Dagmar S. Hamilton at the LBJ School of Public Affairs. The course itself has about 15 students. Others present were law students and other interested faculty. (Also present was a reporter from the Texas University daily paper. I spoke with him before my talk and told him that I would designate any comments which should be off the record. Due to the reporter's presence, I was less specific in naming people and places than I would have been.)

3. The subject of my talk was "Foreign Policy Formulation--The Intelligence Input." The seminar lasted for two hours and was interspersed with questions. I sought to trace the development of the Agency since its creation in 1947 and outlined ways in which it contributes to foreign policy. This was similar to the talk which I gave at Williams College last May.

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of Texas

4. About a dozen students participated actively in questioning me during my talk. Their attitudes ranged from skepticism to hostility, but all questions were put to me in a courteous tone. In no case did a question reflect an unquestioningly supportive attitude toward the Agency. Quite predictably, the questions centered on covert action, assassination, and the supposed tendency of the Agency to act on its own volition. My responses were listened to quite respectfully, and following the talk, my most active interrogator came up and thanked me for my "candor and rational viewpoint." My feeling was that many of those who asked no questions were more favorably inclined toward the Agency. I noted several students approach [REDACTED] to ask for his calling card. The student newspaper reporter asked no questions, and assured me that he would respect our ground rules. [REDACTED] STATINTL  
[REDACTED] hearing this, said he expected a noncontroversial and abbreviated report of my talk to appear in the student paper.

5. Dr. Sydney Weintraub, the Dean Rusk Professor at the LBJ School, also attended the talk and introduced me to the students. He has served as both a Deputy Administrator for AID and a Deputy Assistant Secretary of State. Weintraub spoke in generally favorable terms of the Agency's development, and cited a notable improvement in its analytical product, particularly in the last five or six years. Following the talk, Dr. Hamilton told me that my remarks had been fully pertinent to the structure of her course, and that the talk had been "worth two or three weeks of normal class study."

6. We then shifted to the Texas University Center for Asian Studies where I addressed a mixed group of about 20 faculty and graduate students. Dr. F. Tomasson Jannuzi, the Asian Center Director, introduced me to the group. The discussion there, which lasted about 90 minutes, focused more on regional problems, particularly those of Latin America and South and Southeast Asia. Again, the questioning from both students and faculty was searching, and I was impressed by the detailed knowledge which individual students possessed about recent developments in Korea, Japan, Chile, and India. At the end of this talk, I was thanked warmly by Dr. Jannuzi and

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several students came up to say that their impression of the Agency had been changed by what they heard me say. This basically benevolent reaction carried over to a small cocktail party at the Faculty Club. I asked several faculty members and students whether they felt that this sort of appearance was worth doing. The answer was very positive in terms of what they had learned about the function of today's CIA. Two or three of the more sensitive observers said that they had wondered whether the Agency had been trying to "propagandize" them, but that the pertinence of my talk to the structure of Dr. Hamilton's course had strongly mitigated this feeling.

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7. [REDACTED] was pleased with the day's activities saying that he had achieved better access to both the LBJ School and the Area Studies Department than he had had before. He agreed that appearances of this sort should be "apropos of something," such as Dr. Hamilton's course.

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8. I was highly impressed with the quality of both faculty and students, and was struck by the fact that at the University of Texas, which [REDACTED] rates as the outstanding academic institution in his area, the Agency is regarded with skepticism and some hostility by a significant number of students and faculty. I felt, however, that all minds were open and that a presentation of this sort was useful in partially countering some misconceptions which had existed before.

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9. [REDACTED] has promised to send feedback and faculty reaction to the Director of Personnel, and once his report has come in, we will be in a better position to judge whether future gambits of this sort are worth undertaking. I thoroughly enjoyed the day and feel that [REDACTED] represents the Agency extremely well. In the evening he arranged for me to interview a truly outstanding CT candidate. This interview alone would have made the trip worthwhile.

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cc: DTR  
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ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET				
SUBJECT: (Optional) Mr. [redacted] s Talk Before Graduate Students at [redacted] f Texas				
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4. [redacted]				25X1A
5. [redacted]				This is especially interesting because [redacted] spent a few months on the Review Staff before taking up his present job. Prior to 1975 he was COS, [redacted] 25X1A
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